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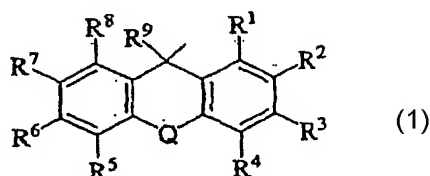
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(57) Abstract: The present invention describes an improved hydroxyl protecting group of formula (1), wherein R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>7</sup> are specified substituents and Q is O, S, NR<sup>10</sup> or N(C=O)R<sup>10</sup>.